



Captain John Mullan Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Agenda

September 19, 2024; 6pm

Microsoft Teams

1. Introduction and Roll Call
 - a. Present: Karey Sabol; Christine Larson; Kathy Snodgrass; Johnathan Karlen, Montana State Representative; Olga Kreimer, Mountain Line Communications Specialist; Melissa Glueckert, Neighborhood Specialist
2. Approve Minutes- [August 15, 2024](#)
 - a. Minutes were approved without modifications
3. Presentations:
 - a. Scenarios for the Long Range Transportation Plan/Mountain Line Strategic Plan
 - i. Ridership tanked during the pandemic, FY23 ridership was at 70% of 2019's ridership
 - ii. There were service improvements in July 2022
 1. Earlier and later weekday service, additional all-day weekday service on 2 existing routes, longer Saturday service, Sunday service.
 - iii. Ridership recovery is uneven areas with higher density recover faster than low density
 - iv. Challenges
 1. Cost constrained plan- Although a new bus facility is planned for the future the bus facility currently in place cannot hold any additional buses. Because of this, Mountain Line can't easily add any additional services on weekday mornings and afternoons due to fleet concerns.
 2. Federal funding cannot be used for operational costs.
 - v. Two discussed scenarios
 1. Implement on demand transit & improve frequency
 2. Adjust core services
 - vi. Three goals- Accessibility, Choice, Equity
 - vii. Transportation survey is closed but the Missoula Engage page is a good place to look for more information
 - viii. Timeline- Early December should have public outreach, process should be wrapped up by spring but implementation is anticipated 2-3 years for any change.
4. Items to be Discussed:
 - a. None.
5. Missoula Neighborhoods Report- Melissa/Kalina
 - a. Grants are now open!



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6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- a. Johnathan Karlen, Montana State Legislative representative. I have been in contact with Hellgate Elementary School's Principal and other people who live in the neighborhood about traffic safety. Please direct any concerns to me.

7. Announcements

8. Adjournment